

**Subject:** Three thousand toys!

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Friend --

As your public servant, it was a honor and a privilege to sponsor close to five dozen holiday events this past month throughout the 13th District. The festivities are a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the season, connect with neighbors, and spread some holiday cheer to hundreds of families in the areas I represent.

My favorite part is personally delivering toys from my office, and watching the faces of children light up with joy. I want to thank the local businesses which partnered with us to provide three thousand toys for children:

- El Capitan Theater
- Gil Zahavi, La La Land in Hollywood
- Mega Toys
- Paramount Pictures Studio
- Shelter Partnership
- James Paola, Jimmy's Permit Service

The generosity and support from our local partners means the world to those I serve, and has made the holidays a little brighter for many families in my district. If you scroll down, you'll see photos from some of the holiday events.

Wishing you and your family a joyous holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

God bless,

Mitch O'Farrell

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#### COMING UP

\*\* THE COUNCIL OFFICE WILL REMAIN OPEN DURING THE WINTER RECESS, HOWEVER THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON **MONDAY, DECEMBER 26**, AND **MONDAY, JANUARY 2**, IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS DAY\*\*

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH CITY SERVICES, PLEASE CONTACT OUR CITY HALL OFFICE AT 213-473-7013 OR THE ECHO PARK DISTRICT OFFICE AT 213-207-3015.

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#### HEADLINES

New bike lanes striped on Fletcher Drive [[LA STREETS BLOG](#)]

Hollywood theatre receives historic designation [[LA INDEPENDENT](#)]

City to crack down on cash for keys abuses [[BEVERLY PRESS](#)]

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#### HOLIDAYS EVENTS IN THE 13TH DISTRICT

**Clinica Romero, Elysian Valley Recreation Center, and Lake Street Recreation Center**



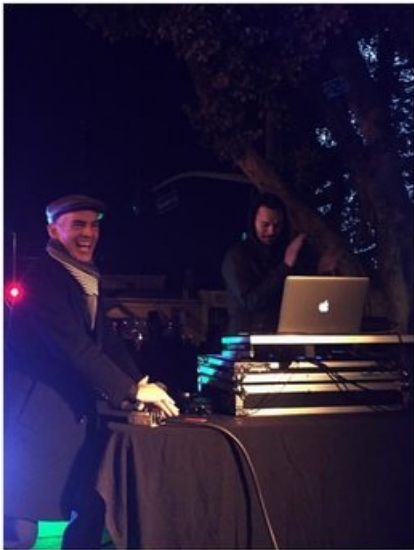
Yucca Community Center, and Silver Lake Recreation Center



Juntos Park in Glassell Park



25th Annual Atwater Village Tree Lighting



Echo Park Community Parade



**Glassell Park Tree Lighting**



**Dorris Place Elementary Winter Program**



Elysian Valley Holiday Seniors Luncheon



Hollywood Christmas Parade



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#### **HOW TO PROPERLY DISPOSE OF YOUR CHRISTMAS TREES**

CITY HALL - LA Sanitation annually provides residents with safe and environmentally friendly options for Christmas tree recycling. Last year, nearly 100,000 trees were recycled, creating mulch and compost used by residents for gardening and City staff for landscaping. The recycling options are:

- 1) Green Bin: residents are urged to follow a three-step process to recycle their trees in their green bin.
- 2) Curbside: Residents unable to cut or place trees in the green bin may leave their tree at the curb on their weekly collection day.
- 3) Drop-off: Residents can drop off their tree for recycling at one of 12 Los Angeles City Fire Stations.

Finally, residents can go to one of six City Recreation and Parks locations on Sunday, January 8, 2017 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

For more information about the City of Los Angeles 2016 Christmas Tree Recycling Program, please visit [LA Sanitation's website](#) or call 1-800-773-2489.

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#### **TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE - NORTH BRONSON AND LA MIRADA AVENUES**



## MITCH O'FARRELL



**BEFORE**

**AFTER**



HOLLYWOOD - The CD 13 Clean Team came across this fallen tree branch blocking handicap parking on N Bronson & La Mirada Avenues in Hollywood. The Clean Team immediately went to work, and performed some additional pruning to clear the pedestrian passageway. See an area that needs attention? Contact Sylvan De La Cruz in the Echo Park District Office at 213-207-3015.

[SEE MORE BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTOS](#)

### PHOTO OF THE WEEK



GLASSELL PARK - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell and his partner George Brauckman wish you and your family peace, love, and joy this holiday season and in the New Year!